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<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Inventor (s)</u>	<u>Title</u>
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2,740,530	04-03-1956	Ponder	Adjustable Supporting And Clamping Device
2,774,563	12-18-1956	Pribis	Collapsible Gun Rest
2,877,689	03-17-1959	Pribis	Stand For Pistols
3,055,655	09-25-1962	Chelf	Device For Stringing Archery Bows
3,291,317	12-13-1966	Bowen	Gun Rack With Locking Means
3,584,820	06-15-1971	Butcher, Sr.	Archery Bow Stand
3,608,225	09-28-1971	Manuel	Portable Gun Support
3,913,746	10-21-1975	Burton	Utility Gun Rack For Boats And The Like
3,947,988	04-06-1976	Besaw	Portable Rifle Rest
3,964,613	06-22-1976	Anderson, Jr.	Rifle Support
4,007,554	02-15-1977	Helmstadter	Adjustable Gun Support
Des. 257,687	12-23-1980	Bechtel	Stand For A Magazine-Fed Pistol

4,449,314	05-22-1984	Sorensen	Firearm Support
4,702,029	10-27-1987	DeVaul et al.	Combination Shooter's Bench And Gun Carrying Case
4,776,471	10-11-1988	Elkins	Gun Rack
4,807,381	02-28-1989	Southard	Gun Storage And Maintenance Work Bench
4,815,593	03-28-1989	Brown	Combined Storage Box, Tray And Rack
4,823,673	04-25-1989	Downing	Swivel Adapter For A Gun Holder
4,873,777	10-17-1989	Southard	Press Fit Gun Cradle For Firearm Maintenance And Repair
4,937,965	07-03-1990	Narvaez	Adjustable Gun Rest
4,967,497	11-06-1990	Yakscoe	Adjustable And Collapsible Gun And Rifle Support
4,971,208	11-20-1990	Reinfried, Jr. et al.	Firearm Support
4,987,694	01-29-1991	Lombardo	Gun Rest For Controlling The Buttstock
4,998,944	03-12-1991	Lund	Removable, Adjustable Gun Support
5,050,330	09-24-1991	Pilgrim et al.	Gun Rest
5,058,302	10-22-1991	Minneman	Shooter's Portable Maintenance Center
5,067,268	11-26-1991	Ransom	Rifle Rest
5,070,636	12-10-1991	Mueller	Gun Sighting Device
5,125,389	06-30-1992	Paff	Tensioning Apparatus For Compound Archery Bows
5,149,900	09-22-1992	Buck	Firearm Support With Seat
5,271,175	12-21-1993	West, III	Shooter's Bench
5,332,185	07-26-1994	Walker, III	Gun Rest
5,370,240	12-06-1994	Hand	Dual Shooters Bow And Gun Stand
5,402,595	04-04-1995	Tamillos	Shooting Device

5,414,949	05-16-1995	Peebles	Portable Shooting Stand
Des. 359,392	06-20-1995	Bellington	Gun Care Case
Des. 362,116	09-12-1995	Bellington et al.	Pistol Carrying And Care Case
Des. 364,080	11-14-1995	Weyrauch	Gun Vise
5,482,241	01-09-1996	Oglesby	Archery Bow Support
5,497,557	03-12-1996	Martinsson	Chain Stretching Device For A Chain Saw
Des. 369,904	05-21-1996	Taylor	Open Face Tackle Box
5,640,944	06-24-1997	Minneman	Method And Apparatus For Maintaining A Bow
5,644,862	07-08-1997	Folmer	Adjustable Gun Resting System
5,666,757	09-16-1997	Helmstadter	Combination Of Pistol And Rifle Shooting Rest
Des. 387,123	12-02-1997	Hughes et al.	Gun Support
5,875,580	03-02-1999	Hill et al.	Rifle Rest
5,933,999	08-10-1999	McClure et al.	Gun Rest
6,293,041	09-25-2001	Weaver	Rifle Rest
6,338,218	01-15-2002	Hegler	Apparatus For Supporting A Firearm
D471,248	03-04-2003	Jacobs	Rifle Rest
6,526,687	03-04-2003	Looney	Gun Rest

Other:

Pages from Cabelas catalog (admitted prior art)

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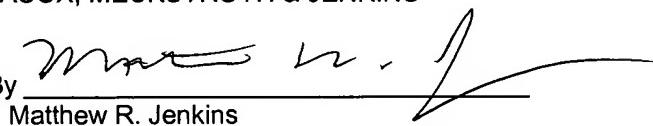
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